



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): ITO et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to a Restriction/Election requirement mailed on April 9, 2003 in connection with the above application, Applicant hereby elects Group 3 of Figs. 17 to 21 without traverse. Applicant states that claims 1, 2, 5, 7-12 read on this Species of Figs. 17 to 21.

Examination of the present application in view of the above election is respectfully requested.

Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,

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